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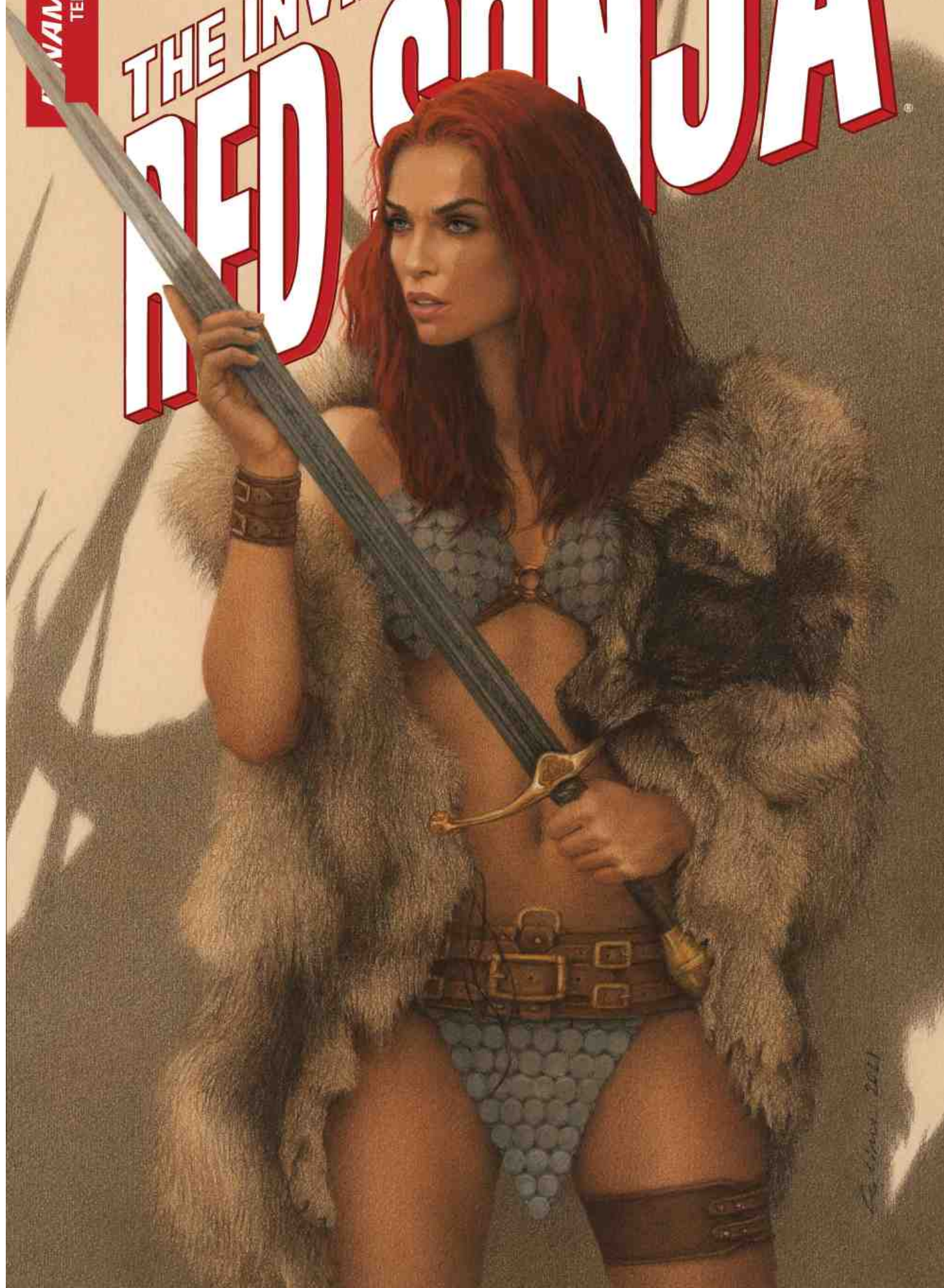


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WHICH OF YOU
PEASANTS SAID
"GINGERS HAVE
— NO SOULS?"



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TUMA,
DO YOU—

**YES,
SONJA...**

...I SEE
THEM.

THE KINGDOM OF
ERKHARA SHOULD'VE
SEEN ME **DEAD** BY NOW.

I'VE SURVIVED STEALTHY ASSASSINS AND HORDES OF DRUNKEN CURS IN A SQUALID ALE HOLE.

**I'VE EMERGED WHOLE
FROM FRAYS WITH FOUL-
STENCHED, FANGED BEASTS,
AND AN EVEN MORE FOUL-
TEMPERED FORMER LOVER.**

BUT THE **WORST**, BY FAR, WAS AN EVIL SORCERER WHO RENDERED ME AN INVIOLEABLE PRISONER IN MY OWN SKIN, STEALING MY ABILITY TO CHOOSE MY OWN WAY, MAKING ME **SUFFER A THOUSAND DEATHS**, WITH NO HOPE FOR THE KISS OF SWEET OBLIVION.

THE MOST **PAINED** DEATH WAS
TO BE SWALLOWED BY ERKHARA'S
RAGING MOUNTAIN OF FIRE, TO
FEEL EVERY NERVE SEARED, TO
BREATHE IN THE SCORCHING ASH.

THE SORCERER IS DEAD NOW.
I CAN FEEL IT. HIS GRIP ON MY
WILL HAS VANISHED. AND SLOWLY,
STEADILY, MY FLESH RETURNS
TO ITS MORTAL FORM.

THAT
HE ONE...
IS HE WITH
WINGS?

YAE!
FANCY WHAT
WE COULD
TRADE FOR
HIM!

TUMA. FLY
US FROM THIS
HELL.

HANG ON!

WE SHALL SEE HOW IT
FARES AGAINST THESE VILE,
VULGAR WENCH SPIDERS.

AAAAAGGGH!

LET
GO, LEGGY
FIEND!

KKKKKK

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TUMA, TAKE US DOWN TO ZARIA AND EDERIK. **QUICKLY!** WE MUST FREE THEM.



ROK! THEY GO TO THE CAGED ONES!



RELEASE THEM... I WILL HANDLE THIS HORDE.



TASTE STEEL, YOU FETID MONGRELS!







HORDE'S
DOWN, AND TWO
TO GO, TUMA! ARE
ZARIA AND EDERIK
YET *FREE*?

ALMOST
DONE.

YOU HOLD
CAPTIVE MY CHARGES,
THEN SET *HELLFIENDS*
UPON US. *WALK AWAY,*
AND I *SPARE* YOU.
PERHAPS.



IT IS *YOU*
TO BE DEAD
THIS DAY!

SO,
THE TWO
OF YOU CRAVE
A TASTE OF MY
BLADE LIKE THE
REST OF YOUR
COMPANIONS,
I SEE.



WHAT *NAME*
ARE YOU CALLED,
SHE-WARRIOR?



I AM *RED*
SONJA.



RED SONJA?
THE SAME SHE WITH
A BOUNTY ON HER
HEAD FROM
BAHIRA?



YES, BUT HE IS
NOW **DEAD**. THERE'S
NO MORE REWARD
TO COLLECT.

IN CASE YOU'VE
NOT NOTICED, THERE
IS NO MORE KINGDOM
OF **ERKHARA** LEFT,
AS WELL.



THAT KINGDOM HAS
NO MATTER TO US IN THE
DARKLANDS.

BAHIRA'S
DEATH YOU DID
SEE WITH YOUR
OWN EYES?

A CHUNK
OF **VOLCANIC
ROCK** HAD THE
PLEASURE OF
THAT FINAL
DEED.



RED SONJA.
COUNTLESS TALES
OF YOUR CONQUERINGS
HAVE HAD TELLS AROUND
MANY A FIRE.

AND THE
GOLDEN-HAIRS
IN THE CAGE?

THEY
ARE OF **NO
CONCERN**
TO YOU.

I SEE.
HOW **PITIED**
YOUR FATE
WILL COME
TO BE.



I HOLD **RESPECT**
FOR YOU, BLOOD-HAIR,
BUT I TELL TO YOU AND
THE WINGED ONE...
SURRENDER NOW.

THERE ARE
MORE THAT
ARE US.

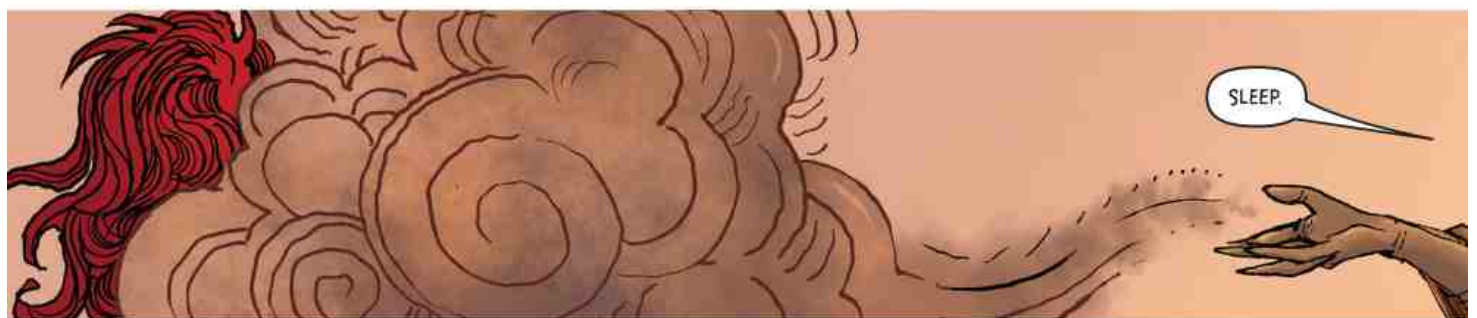


WE
HAVE BEATEN
YOUR COHORTS,
WHAT'S A **FEW
MORE**?



A **FEW**?

**MORE
THAN A FEW.**





UGHH.

OWWWW.

MY HEAD.



UHHMMM...

ALIVE AND BREATHING.

GOOD.



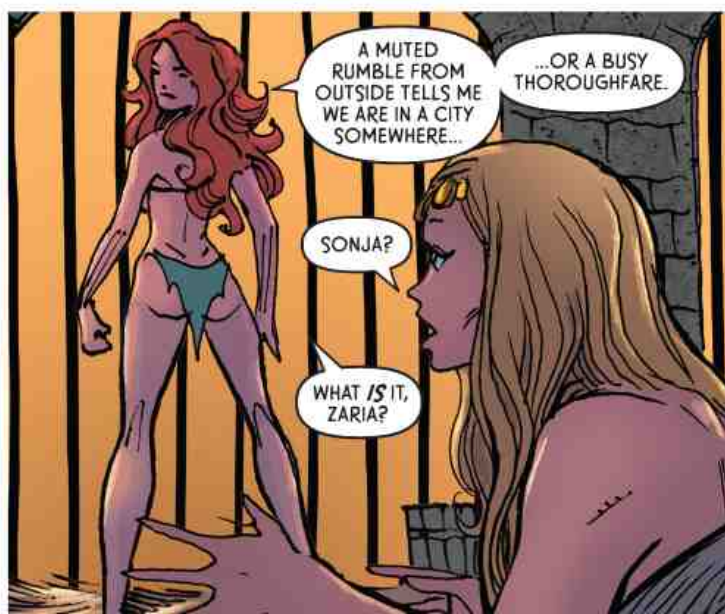
DAMN. WHAT IS THIS HELLHOLE?



OOHH... OW...

SONJA?

SONJA, WHERE ARE WE?



A MUTED RUMBLE FROM OUTSIDE TELLS ME WE ARE IN A CITY SOMEWHERE...

...OR A BUSY THOROUGHFARE.

SONJA?

WHAT IS IT, ZARIA?



I THOUGHT
I **LOST** YOU.

THROUGH ALL
THE **MADNESS**, YOU
STILL **CAME** FOR ME.
LIBERATED ME.

I CANNOT
EXPRESS MY
GRATITUDE
ENOUGH.



'TIS MY **DUTY**
TO RETURN YOU TO
YOUR KINGDOM SAFELY.
YOU **MUST NOT** LET OUR
CAPTIVES KNOW YOU
ARE **ROYALTY**.

I **UNDERSTAND**.

AND I AM
HONORED TO
CONSIDER YOU
MY FRIEND.



YOUR **FRIEND**
WHO WILL COLLECT
THE **REWARDS** AS YOU
PROMISED.

HAVE YOU
A **PLAN**?



I WILL **SOON**.
TEZZAH MUST BE
THE **LEADER**, HERE.
AN INFLUENTIAL
AND POWER--

WHY ARE YOU
SMILING?

SONJA...



I **PROMISED**
MYSELF TO **EDERIK**,
BUT JUST SAY THE
WORD...

ZARIA.



WE HAVE
GRAVER MATTERS
TO DEAL WITH AT
THE MOMENT.

WE MUST
FOCUS ON--
SSHHH!

MMMMFF!

SOMEONE
COMES.





NOW THEN,
ALLOW ME TO *SLAY*
THIS CHAMPION OF
YOURS SO I CAN BE
ON MY WAY.





GUARD...

LEAVE HER
TO ME AND
BE OFF.

HMMM...
YOU ARE QUITE
THE *BEAUTY*, BUT
ALL THIS *DIRT* AND
STINK CHURNS
MY--

EDERIK?!

BE SILENT,
OUTLANDER.

ROT IN
HELL!



UNHAND
ME, OR I'LL SEE
YOU *SKEWERED*
ON A--

YOU
SPEAK LIKE
NOBILITY...



...BUT YOU
SMELL LIKE A SWINE'S
HINDQUARTERS.

SCRUB WENCHES!
CLEAN THIS ONE UP AS WELL.
TEZZAH HAS VERY *DELICATE*
SENSIBILITIES.

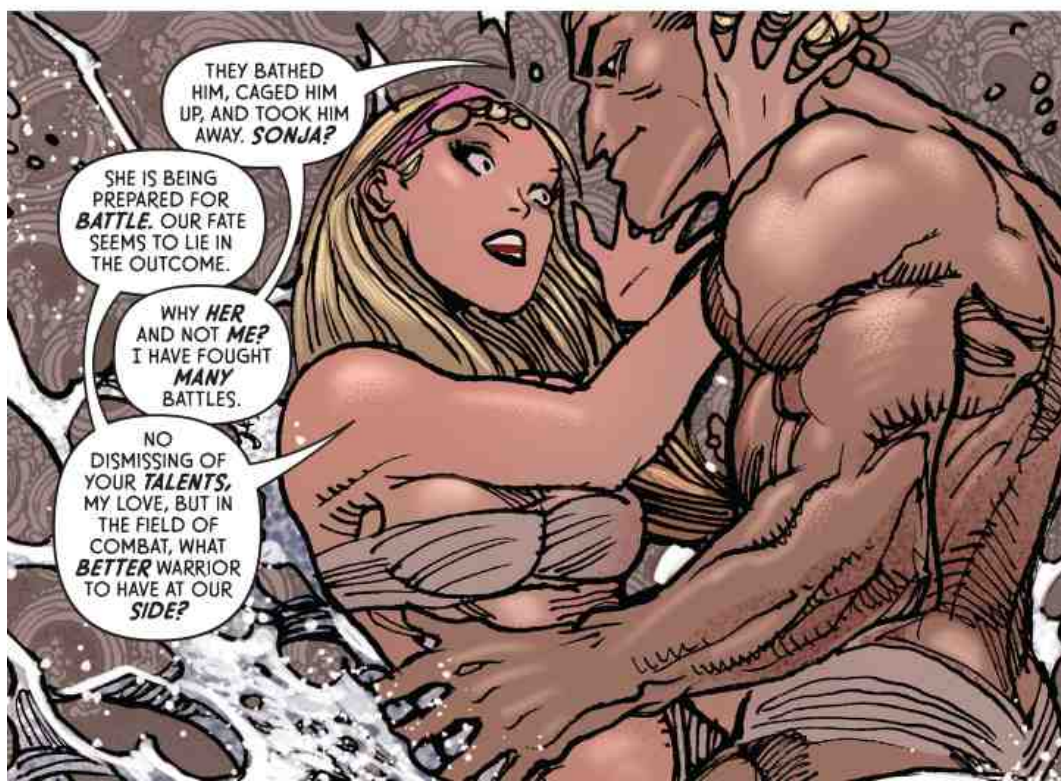
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ZARIA!
YOU'RE
ALIVE!

THEY
WOULDN'T TELL
ME A *THING*.
I WAS SO
WORRIED.

AS WAS
I, MY LOVE. WHAT
HAVE THEY DONE
WITH *TUMA*?



THEY BATHED
HIM, CAGED HIM
UP, AND TOOK HIM
AWAY. *SONJA*?

SHE IS BEING
PREPARED FOR
BATTLE. OUR FATE
SEEMS TO LIE IN
THE OUTCOME.

WHY *HER*
AND NOT *ME*?
I HAVE FOUGHT
MANY
BATTLES.

NO
DISMISSING OF
YOUR *TALENTS*,
MY LOVE, BUT IN
THE FIELD OF
COMBAT, WHAT
BETTER WARRIOR
TO HAVE AT OUR
SIDE?



BEST WE
DO WHAT WE *CAN*.
THOUGH, THERE ARE
ONLY THREE
CAPTORS, HERE.

FOLLOW
MY LEAD.



THE ARENA OF DOOM.

TUMA!

ZARIA!
EDERIK! I AM
PLEASED TO SEE
THAT YOU ARE
UNHARMED.

HAVE
YOU SEEN
SONJA?





THAT ODD
LOOKING...
CHILD...?
SHE IS YOUR
LEADER?

TEZZAH IS
NOT **MY** LEADER.
SHE RULES NOT THE
DARKLANDS.

SHE
DOES GRANT
US REWARDS
TO BRING HER
PLEASURES...

...BUT GIVES
US PUNISHMENT
WHEN WE DO
NOT.

AND SHE IS NO
CHILD. TEZZAH HAS
OVER A THOUSAND
YEARS TO HER. SHE
HAS RULED **CAPELLIA**
SINCE ITS **BIRTH.**

AND I AM
TO FIGHT HER
YOUNGLING?

TO THE
DEATH.

I ALMOST
FEEL GUILTY.



HOW DARE
YOU SPEAK AMONGST
YOURSELVES IN MY
PRESENCE!

ROK! BRING THAT
FILTHY WHORE **CLOSER,**
SO I MAY **QUESTION** HER
BEFORE HER IMPENDING
DEMISE.



YOU EXPECT THIS
FRAGILE, TODGE-LAPPING,
MENARCHE-HEADED

BITCH

TO BE
COMPETITION
FOR MY BEAUTIFUL
WARRIOR SON?

I FEELATE

BIGGER THAN HER!



QUITE THE
MOUTH ON
HER, EH?

SHUSH.
DO NOT MAKE
ME TO BE KILLED
AS WELL.



WHAT DO YOU
HAVE TO **SAY** FOR
YOURSELF, YOU
DONKEY-COSSETING
SLATTERN, BEFORE
YOU HEAD TO
YOUR **DEATH?**

NOW
YOU MAY
SPEAK.

SIMPLY THAT YOU WILL WATCH YOUR WHELP DIE.

AND FOR MY NEXT DEED, I WILL SEPARATE THAT LOATHSOME HEAD OF YOURS FROM YOUR BODY AND SEND YOU BACK TO WHATEVER CONSTIPATED GOD'S DARK RECTUM YOU SPAT OUT OF.

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RRRRRUUUUHHH

SET'S BILIOUS SPITTLE!

THAT IS YOUR SON?

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NEXT ISSUE

Sonja, Zaria, and Ederik make the final run for the coast to return the Princess back to her homeland, but can they escape an army of killers, a stampede of monsters, and a bounty hunter bent on delivering Sonja's head for a promise of wealth?

RON MARZ & ANDY LANNING TALK THE NEXT BIG PROJECT SUPERPOWERS SAGA!

Ron and Andy, the Project Superpowers characters have been through all manner of turmoil. Whether it goes back to their Golden Age WWII roots, their modern adventures, or now you guys are taking them thirty years in the future. What's your elevator pitch for fans on this exciting new chapter?

Marz: The world of our story is in rough shape. The United States has literally fractured into regional powers, some of them very much at odds with each other. Into that landscape we introduce a literal John Doe, a character who wakes up having no idea who he is, or how he got here. We follow his journey through this shattered America, as he tries to discover his own identity, and the true identity of America itself.

Lanning: For anyone who likes a good old-fashioned tale of classic Golden Age heroes cast into a dark dystopian future world where the country has literally fallen apart around them and malevolent forces have risen to take control of the divided states with a main character who's got amnesia and must undertake a perilous journey across the dangerous, fractured landscape... then this one's for you!

You two are no strangers to apocalyptic team-up adventures, following the rollercoaster ride of DC's big crossover Endless Winter. What kind of cataclysmic environment are our heroes facing in Fractured States?

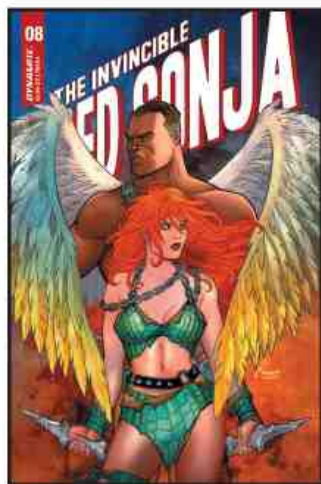
Marz: Environmental collapse, climate crisis, a pandemic ... you name it, we've got it!

Lanning: What Ron said! We just looked around at what we're facing in the world today, took it up a notch or two and we had a very believable apocalyptic landscape to play with. Which, now I think about it, is pretty bloody scary!

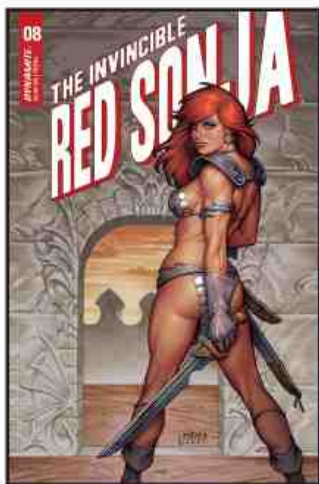
There are countless characters under the Project Superpowers umbrella. Which ones should fans expect this series to focus on the most?

Marz: Our main character is ... well, we can't tell you, that would ruin the surprise. We'll be getting glimpses of most of the Project Superpowers stalwarts, especially the patriotic heroes. We also show a very different version of Black Terror, which has grown from a singular character into an entire guerilla group. Of course, that does lead to the question of where the original Black Terror might be...

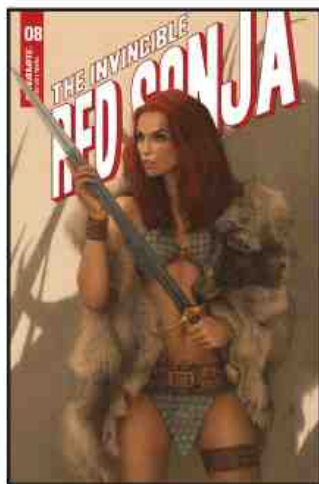
Lanning: Because the story focuses on the chaos that the United States has fallen into, the patriotic heroes, like The Flag, Man of War, etc feature. But we show other Project Superpowers mainstays too and hint at their fates in this sinister future, but it would be giving away the surprises if we tell more!



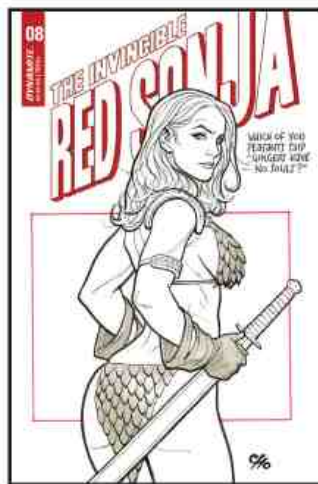
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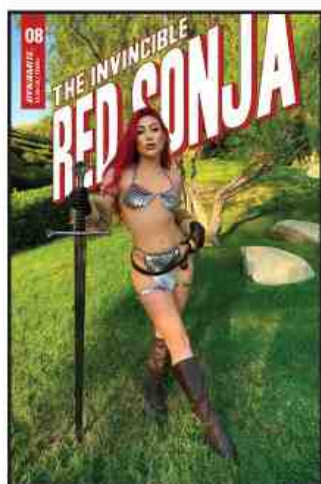
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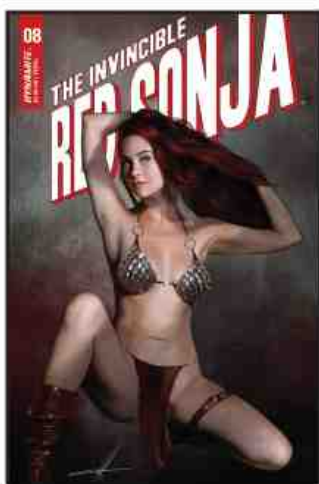
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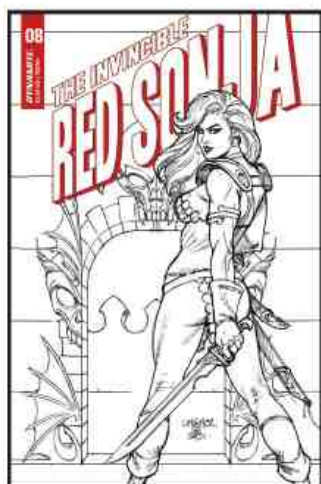
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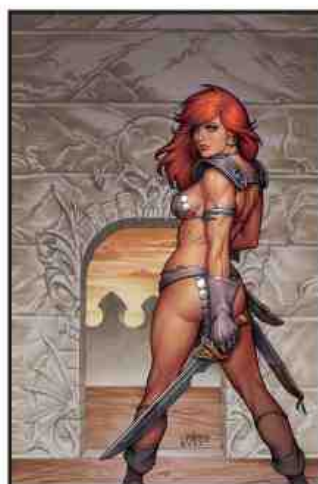
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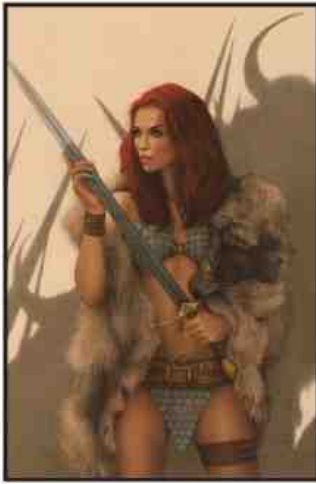
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